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SUBJECT: VIOLATION OF OMANI AIRSPACE

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- 1. CIRCULAR FONMIN NOTE CAUTIONING AGAINST VIOLATIONS OF SAFETY REGULATIONS RE OVERFLIGHT OF OMANI AIRSPACE DEFINED "PROHOBITED" ZONE BY FOLLOWING GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES:
 16 DEGREES 27'N 53 DEGREES 10'E, THENCE TO COAST AT POINT WHERE OMANI-SOUTH YEMINI BORDERS MEET; FROM THAT POINT, LINE FOLLOWS COMMON BOUNDARY TO 19 DEGREES 00'N 52 DEGREES 00'E; THENCE TO 19 DEGREES 30'N 53 DEGREES 30'E;
 THENCE BACK TO ORIGINAL POINT. AREA THUS DEMARCATED COMPRISES MOST OF WESTERN DHOFAR FROM ROUGHTLY EIGHT MILES WEST OF MIDWAY TO PDRY FRONTIER. IT IS IMMEDIATE WAR ZONE, AND HENCE THREAT IS CONTINUING ONE REQUIRING PREVENTIVE ACTION.
- 2. ACCORDING TO DEPUTY COMMANDER OF SULTAN OF OMAN'S AIR FORCE (SOAF) VIOLATIONS HAVE BEEN ON PART OF BRITISH-CREWED "BRITANIA" AIRCRAFT FLOWN FOR YEMINI AIRLINES. SANAA HAS BEEN INFORMED, AND SOAF TAKING RELAXED VIEW OF WHOLE MATTER. DGCA ADVISORY, CONTAINED IN FONMIN'S CIRCULAR NOTE, SHOULD LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BE SEEN AS OCCASION ONCE AGAIN TO BRING TO ATTENTION OF CIVIL

AVIATION AUTHORITIES FACT THAT WAR DANGER DOES EXIST. SOAF SOURCE SPECIFICALLY STATED THAT NO VIOLATIONS OTHER THAN THAT BY YEMINI AIRLINES KNOWN TO HAVE OCCURRED.

3. RE PARA 4 OF REFTEL, NO FAA ACTION REQUIRED. $\ensuremath{\mathsf{ZWEIFEL}}$

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